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SUBJ: SPECIAL UNGA SESSION: SCALI CONVERSATION WITH

AMB. PEREZ DE CUELLAR (PERU)

MARCH 15 TO DISCUSS THE SPECIAL SESSION. SCALI

INITIATED THE CONVERSATION BY EXPLAINING CURRENT US

ATTITUDES AND VIEW RE SESSION AND ITS OUTCOME. IN

BRIEF THESE ARE THAT WE SEEK COOPERATION NOT CONFRONTATION,

A CONSTRUCTIVE OUTCOME WHICH WILL NOT UNDERMINE EXISTING

INITIATIVES SUCH AS THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE AND THE

WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE, NOR INVOLVE THE ESTABLISHMENT

OF ANY NEW UN MACHINERY. WE ARE PREPARED TO ACCEPT SOME RHETORIC

BUT NO RADICAL DEPARTURES OR INITIATIVES TO SOLVE THE

COMPLICATED AND TECHNICAL QUESTIONS WHICH WILL BE

DISCUSSED AT THE SESSION.

2. AMB PEREZ DE CUELLAR, ALTHOUGH NOT VERY WELL INFORMED

IN THE DETAILS OF THE PREPARATION FOR THE SESSION, AGREED

THAT CONFRONTATION MUST BE AVOIDED, AND THAT MODERATES

WITHIN THE LDC RANKS MUST SPEAK OUT TO CONTAIN RADICAL

IMPULSES. HE SAID THAT ENERGY, PARTICULARLY OIL WAS A

CENTRAL BONE OF CONTENTION, WITH ALGERIA ATTEMPTING TO

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EXCLUDE IT FROM THE AGENDA WHILE INDIA, SRI LANKA AND

GUYANA EMOTIONALLY INSISTED ON ITS BEING HIGHLIGHTED.

3. AMB PEREZ DE CUELLAR INFORMED AMB SCALI THAT THE PERUVIA FON MIN WOULD ARRIVE IN NY MARCH 16 ON ROUTE TO THE NAC COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING IN ALGIERS. PEREZ DE CUELLAR INTIMATED THAT HE DID NOT EXPECT DRAMATIC DECISIONS TO BE MADE IN ALGIERS, SINCE THE WELL-KNOWN DIVISIVE ISSUES WOULD BE NO MORE AMENABLE TO SOLUTION THERE THAN HERE. FUTHERMORE, PEREZ DE CUELLAR DOES NOT ANTICIPATE THAT THE SESSION ITSELF WILL HAVE DRAMATIC OR CONCREAT RESULTS, BUT WILL RATHER BE A SORT OF POLITICAL-LEVEL PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR SUBSEQUENT UN AND ESTABLISHED UN AGENCY MEETINGS WHICH WILL ADDRESS SELECTED AREAS AND ISSUES.

4. PEREZ DE CUELLAR EXPRESSED HIS EAGERNESS TO REMAIN IN CONTACT WITH AMB SCALI ON THE SESSION, AND SPECIFICALLY PROMISED TO INFORM US ON THE NAC COORDINATING COMMITTEE .3358,&. BENNETT

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